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LOCAL UM STUDENTS USE ACADEMIC SKILLS IN WORKPLACE

MISSOULA --

Another promising cadre of University of Montana students took their academic skills to the workplace spring semester in internships offered through UM's Center for Work-Based Learning. Among them are the following:

■ **Brian LeFebvre of Red Lodge**, a sophomore in business administration who interned as a host at Walt Disney World in Orlando, Fla. He attended weekly business seminars and worked in a restaurant, running a cash register and keeping track of daily money transactions. LeFebvre graduatee from Red Lodge High School in 1999. His parents are Joe and Mary LeFebvre.

■ **Matt Trebesch of Dutton**, a senior in geology who worked as a geographic information systems technologist for Benchmark GIS in Missoula. His responsibilities included making digital maps for the enhanced 911 project in several Montana counties. Trebesch graduated from Dutton high School in 1994. His parents are Carl and Vicky Trebesch.

■ **Mollie Eckman of Basin**, a senior in communication studies and business who interned as a retail sales manager at The Buckle, a business in Missoula's Southgate Mall. She graduated in 1996 from Jefferson High School. Her parents are Joan VanDuynhoven and Patrick Eckman.

■ **Nicole Raemaeker of Cut Bank**, a senior in business administration who held an

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accounting internship with Bretz RV & Marine in Missoula. Her job included posting deals and helping with accounts payable and receivable. Raemaeker is a 1996 Cut Bank High School graduate. Her parents are Ken and Sharon Raemaeker.

■ Crissy Shaffer of **Cascade**, a senior in psychology who worked as a research specialist in the Building Skills for Adulthood program run by UM's psychology department. She tracked and conducted research post-assessments with Montana youths who have previously participated in the BSA program. The goal was to apply the information to earlier data in order to assess the outcome of the study. Shaffer graduated from Cascade High School in 1996. Her parents are Mike and Penny Moore.

Work-Based Learning's internship program helps students integrate their academic education with job experience by developing work opportunities and coordinating placement activities with employers and faculty advisers. The program serves about 1,800 students a year, placing 400 to 500 of them as interns throughout Montana and the nation in more than 35 fields of employment. For information, visit the Web site at http://www.umt.edu/coop_intern/wbl/.

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